Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3396–3406, and S. Res. 537–539.

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Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled "Report on the Attempted Terrorist Attack on Northwest Airlines Flight 253". (S. Rept. No. 111–199)

- S. 1562, to provide for a study and report on research on the United States Arctic Ocean and for other purposes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–193)
- S. 2856, to allow the United States-Canada Transboundary Resource Sharing Understanding to be considered an international agreement for the purposes of section 304(e)(4) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–194)
- S. 3099, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the American Falls Reservoir. (S. Rept. No. 111–195)
- S. 3100, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving the Little Wood River Ranch. (S. Rept. No. 111–196)

H.R. 934, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands. (S. Rept. No. 111–197)

H.R. 3689, to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc. to establish a Vietnam Veterans Memorial visitor center. (S. Rept. No. 111–198)

S. 3066, to correct the application of the Non-Foreign Area Retirement Equity Assurance Act of 2009 (5 U.S.C. 5304 note) to employees paid saved or retained rates.

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Measures Passed:

Telework Enhancement Act: Senate passed S. 707, to enhance the Federal Telework Program, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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Federal Supply Schedules Usage Act: Senate passed S. 2868, to provide increased access to the General Services Administration's Schedules Program by the American Red Cross and State and local governments.

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Alliance with Thailand: Senate agreed to S. Res. 538, affirming the support of the United States for a strong and vital alliance with Thailand.

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Prescription Drug Disposal Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 539, designating May 24, 2010, as "Prescription Drug Disposal Awareness Day". Page S4162

Measures Considered:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of H.R. 4899, making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 4174, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions.

Sessions/McCaskill Amendment No. 4173, to establish 3-year discretionary spending caps.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, May 25, 2010.

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Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motions with respect to H.R. 4173, to promote the financial stability of the United States by improving accountability and transparency in the financial system, to

end "too big to fail", to protect the American taxpayer by ending bailouts, to protect consumers from abusive financial services practices, taking action on the following motions to instruct conferees proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

By 60 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. 163), Brownback Motion to Instruct Conferees to insist that the final conference report include the House position relating to the exclusion for motor vehicle dealers from the rulemaking, supervisory, enforcement, or other authority granted to the Director of the Consumer Financial Protection Agency, as such exclusion is contained in section 4205 of H.R. 4137, as passed by the House, and that the final conference report preserves the additional provisions, definitions, and protections provided to such motor vehicle dealers and servicemembers and their families in Senate amendment 3789, as further modified, to S. 3217.

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By 87 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 164), Hutchison Motion to Instruct Conferees to insist that the final conference report ensure that proprietary trading restrictions do not prevent insurance company affiliates of depository institutions from engaging in such trading as part of the ordinary business of insurance, especially insurance company affiliates serving military service members and their families, as such restrictions would result in higher costs and significant inconveniences to those sacrificing in service to our country.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a legislative proposal relative to an expedited procedure to rescind unnecessary spending

and to broadly scale back funding levels if warranted, together with a sectional analysis; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM-57)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James Michael Cole, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

- 1 Army nomination in the rank of general.
- 8 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Messages from the House:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—164)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 25, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages \$4162–63.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 6 public bills, H.R. 5367–5372; 1 private bill, H.R. 5373; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 1386–1388 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H3745-46

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Hirono to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:31 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H3709

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Expressing the sense of the Congress that the lack of adequate housing must be addressed as a barrier to effective HIV prevention, treatment, and care: H. Con. Res. 137, to express the sense of the Congress that the lack of adequate housing must be addressed as a barrier to effective HIV prevention, treatment, and care, and that the United States should make a commitment to providing adequate

funding for developing housing as a response to the AIDS pandemic; Pages H3715–16

Amending the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such Act for a 5-year period ending June 22, 2015: H.R. 5330, amended, to amend the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such Act for a 5-year period ending June 22, 2015, by a ²/₃ recorded vote of 366 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 293; Pages H3716–17, H3725–26

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To amend the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such Act, and for other purposes.". Page H3726

Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act: H.R. 1017, amended, to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 365 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 292; and

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Expressing the sense of Congress that a grateful Nation supports and salutes Sons and Daughters in Touch on its 20th Anniversary: H. Con. Res. 278, to express the sense of Congress that a grateful Nation supports and salutes Sons and Daughters in Touch on its 20th Anniversary that is being held on Father's Day, 2010, at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, the District of Columbia, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 371 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 291.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:43 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H3724

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing support for designation of May 2010 as Mental Health Month: H. Res. 1258, amended, to express support for designation of May 2010 as Mental Health Month; Pages H3709–12

Expressing sympathy to the families of those killed by North Korea in the sinking of the Republic of Korea Ship Cheonan: H. Res. 1382, to express sympathy to the families of those killed by North Korea in the sinking of the Republic of Korea Ship Cheonan, and solidarity with the Republic of Korea in the aftermath of this tragic incident;

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Recognizing the importance of manufactured and modular housing in the United States: H. Res. 584, to recognize the importance of manufactured and modular housing in the United States;

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Veterans Dog Training Therapy Act: H.R. 3885, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy; and

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Assuring Quality Care for Veterans Act: H.R. 5145, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the continuing professional education reimbursement provided to health professionals employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he submitted a legislative proposal, the "Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010", along with a section-by-section analysis of the legislation—referred to the Committee on Rules and the Committee on the Budget and ordered printed (H. Doc. 111–117).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3724.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3724, H3725 and H3725–26. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Committee Meeting

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE BILL (H.R. 4213) TO AMEND THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 TO EXTEND CERTAIN EXPIRING PROVISIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Committee Rules: Held a hearing providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 4213) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes. Testimony was heard from Chairman Levin and Representatives Camp and Hastings of Washington.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 25, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 9 a.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 10:30 a.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 2 p.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 3:30 p.m., SR–222.

Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, 5 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the liability and financial responsibility issues related to offshore oil production, including the Deepwater Horizon accident in the Gulf of Mexico, including S. 3346, to increase the limits on liability under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, 10 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine reducing overpayments and increasing quality in the unemployment system, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to resume hearings to examine Treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, with Protocol (Treaty Doc.111–05), focusing on the role of strategic arms control in a post-Cold War world, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. Res. 469, recognizing the 60th Anniversary of the Fulbright Program in Thailand, S. Res. 532, recognizing Expo 2010 Shanghai China and the USA Pavilion at the Expo, S. 3317, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to promote long-term, sustainable rebuilding and development in Haiti, and the nominations of Michael P. Meehan, of Virginia, and Dana M. Perino, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, and Michael James Warren, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment

Corporation, and a routine list in the Foreign Service, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to resume hearings to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on early childhood education, 2 p.m., SD–430.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William J. Boarman, of Maryland, to be Public Printer, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

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Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up H.R. 847, James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "The Administration's Proposal to Preserve and Transform Public and Assisted Housing: The Transforming Rental Assistance Initiative," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on The Great Lakes Region: Current Conditions and U.S. Policy, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on H.R. 4677, Protecting Employees and Retirees in Business Bankruptcies Act of 2010, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing and markup of H.R. 5281, Removal Clarification Act of 2010, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 3040, Senior Financial Empowerment Act of 2009, 2:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 5284, Sikes Act Amendments Act of 2010, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, oversight hearing on Building on America's Best Idea: The Next Century of the National Park System, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Eliminating Waste and Managing Space in Federal Courthouses: GAO Recommendations on Courthouse Construction, Courtroom Sharing, and Enforcing Congressionally Authorized Limits on Size and Cost, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, executive, briefing on Global Climate Change, 1 p.m., 304–HVC.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine Holocaust era assets after the Prague conference, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4899, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 25

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 2711—FBI Families of Fallen Heroes Act; (2) H. Res. 1172—Recognizing the life and achievements of Will Keith Kellogg; (3) H. Res. 1189-Commending Lance Mackey on winning a record 4th straight Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race; (4) H. Res. 1316—Celebrating Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month; and (5) H. Res. 1385—Recognizing and honoring the courage and sacrifice of the members of the Armed Forces and veterans.

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